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QRP-L Digest 1612

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by Brian Kassel <bkassel@dancris.com>
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by Jim Durkin <jimdurkin@yahoo.com>
- 46) [53454] Pacificon Report, L0000000NG
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- 47) [53455] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
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- 48) [53456] FS/T: Ten Tec 509 with accessories
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- 49) [53457] Rich Fisher, KI6SN, is new columnist for QRPP
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- 51) [53459] Re: Touch Sensitive Key(er)
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- 54) [53462] FS: Complete MFJ 20m QRP station
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- 56) [53464] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
by Jim Durkin <jimdurkin@yahoo.com>
- 57) [53465] QRP Hombrewer-Journal of the New Jersey QRP Club
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- 58) [53466] FS or Trade KPC-3
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- 59) [53467] Re: QRP Hombrewer-Journal of the New Jersey QRP Club
by Dave Pomeroy <dave_pomeroy@yahoo.com>
- 60) [53468] Pacificon
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by "Frank G3YCC" <frank@g3ycc.karoo.co.uk>
- 63) [53471] OT: buzz saw
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by "Cam Hartford" <camqrp@cyberg8t.com>
71) [53479] Re: next BIG thing?
by "John J. McDonough" <jjmcd@tm.net>
72) [53480] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
by "Jay Bromley" <w5jay@alltel.net>
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by Ed Loranger <we6w@qsl.net>
75) [53483] Tracking Solar Cycle 23 Web Site
by "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@talon.net>
76) [53484] Re: New Contest Logging Program - Honest RST's
by "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@cswnet.com>
77) [53485] Re: Ammo Boxes
by "Steve Yates, AA5TB" <aa5tb@swbell.net>
78) [53486] Hamfest
by <SFIKE@twa.com>
79) [53487] Re: He shall be missed
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
80) [53488] Yaesu info
by charles k brown <n4so@juno.com>

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 19:25:01 EDT
From: DONROHER@aol.com
To: N5SMQ@aol.com
Cc: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53409] Re: Wrangell Island
Message-ID: <1ec734dc.253bb4cd@aol.com>
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Yes,

In order to reply to all.....

We will plan Skeds for: 40 meter QRP

15 Meter QRP

10 Meter QRP

10 Meter QRO for the CQ WW DX and IOTA

I have a few things I will have to do this trip that will take away from my operating time. I have to install an oil burning stove to heat the place, we

have always used wood before and had time to put green wood up to dry for the next trip, well now we are down to green wood and no dry, except for a 3 day stack we left on the porch.

As mentioned earlier this trip was not planned for.

We left the place stocked with Food (no beer, another case of poor planning), fuel for the boat and generators. (By the way we purchased a new Honda 650 watt last trip, it proved to be a very fuel efficient generator, much better than the 2500 watt with a brigs engine.) and we can use it to charge the batteries direct. We plan to walk in and set up, operate for the WW DX and then go to town to stock up.

To answer: location question. QRZ shows the little town of Wrangell which is on the other side of the Island from where we are. Enlarge the map and we are on the North side of the Island, the passage between the main land and British Columbia is Eastern Passage. Not being a web site person, I have D. photos if someone wants to web site them.

Number of contacts, we are still working on the QSL cards, the last trip produced about 500 contacts, September 271 lost 4, July 345 lost 2.

I could use the standard QRP FREQs, but always felt that it took the FREQ away from others, however I have had requests to use them this trip as some only have rock bound equipment, any comments....

Next week end will be my last e-mail contact for about 30 days, I will post the proposed Skeds then. You can still send free radio grams and I will post the phone numbers with the Skeds.

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 18:23:11 -0500
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53410] Re: X-rays affecting radio gear
Message-ID: <380A5A5F.1231@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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My experience is nearly identical to Nick's (WA5BDU). I work as an engineer and senior operator at a TVA nuclear plant. My HP42/48 calculators and my FT-50 handheld have been going through the "xray" every day for years. I've even brought the SWL DSW-20 PIC-controlled rig in a few times to show other hams who work here.

I've never had any resulting equipment problems.

Mike / KK5F

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 16:45:26 -0700 (PDT)
From: Christian Void <cvoid@netcom.com>
To: "Dan W. Dooley" <dandooley@pipeline.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53411] RE: X-rays effecting radio gear?
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9910171630.A742-0100000@netcom11.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Sun, 17 Oct 1999, Dan W. Dooley wrote:

> Suspicious characters, heh?
>
> I'd like to think the pull-overs are very random. God! I hope I don't look
> like a suspicious character. My bag gets swabbed about 1 out of 5 passes
> through the checkpoint.

well, it isn't very random. i get searched almost regularly when i get on
an airplane. then again, i probably fit the typical american's idea of a
"suspicious character" based on how i look, so such is life. i did manage
to scare a guard once though. had a bunch of test equipment (harris
ts-21, dmm, all kinds of test leads, cable testers. typical telco
equipment) in my duffel bag, all sitting on top of my skateboard. when it
went through the x-ray machine, the trucks and wheels showed up
surrounded by a lot of electronics. :)

needless to say, my bag got searched and the guard had a laugh. :)

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 20:23:13 -0400
From: Nils R Young <nilsbull@juno.com>
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53412] Loop antenna experiments
Message-ID: <19991017.202318.-859101.6.nilsbull@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

I've probably lost that really good article about loop antennas that ended up on the list a couple times before I saved it & lost it again. But that didn't stop me.

Yesterday I went to the hardware store & got some PVC pipe & couplings & about 7 ft of copper pipe off a roll. I took it all home & built a loop. With the K2 to test it, I finally got a capacitor hosed up & was able to tune from 10 through 20 m. Who knows how efficient it works. With a diameter of less than 3 ft, it ain't much. But at least I figured out some stuff.

Only one problem: I want to put it on a pole in the yard. Which means that I need another remote tuning motor. Which means that the tuning motor & assemblage will be just about as big as the radius of the loop. And it really does behave different in the absense of human flesh or other electronical items in the shack.

Next time I'll use bigger pipe & a bigger diameter.

Right after I fold the laundry, put away the dishes from dinner & do other chores to get back into Cindy's good graces. Spending almost the entire weekend out in the shack cussin' and throwin' &c doesn't get many high points around this end of the loonie bin.

73

Nils

Nils R. Bull Young -- El Gringo Errante -- La Estancia de los Guajolotes
Sonrientes

<http://home.fiberia.com/wb8ijn> -- WB8IJN --

<http://members.xoom.com/nilsbull>

"In my day you had to FIGHT to have oligarchs! Every day was a STRUGGLE!

-- Comrade Sergei Nikolaevich McTovarishov --

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Date: Sat, 16 Oct 1999 00:19:39 -0600

From: "William R. Colbert" <af852@rgfn.epcc.edu>

To: BenNW7DX@aol.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu

Subject: [53413] Re: X-rays effecting radio gear?

Message-ID: <380818FB.C6E7665B@rgfn.epcc.edu>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wouldn't worry about it - when I was traveling to the Caribbean area, I often took either the 757sx or QRP+ and they went thru the airport inspections and machines in numerous airports with no apparent harmful effects.

73
Ray
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"Politicians are like nappies. Both should be changed regularly -- and for the same reason"
"Scotsman - Scotsman's Diary 12/97"

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 17:56:44 -0800
From: Jim Larsen AL7FS <al7fs@pobox.alaska.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53414] AK<-->ME A pleasant surprise
Message-ID: <380A7E5C.64D05CAE@pobox.alaska.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Imagine my surprise when I hear AA1MY/1, Seab in Maine calling CQ on 14.060 at 0300Z tonight. And then imagine my surprise when he came back to me. Neat!

Seab was running 2 watts to a dipole at 45 feet and I was running 5 watts to the KLM KT34A at 40 feet. He is on vacation.

Thanks, Seab!!

Jim
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73, Jim Larsen, AL7FS <http://www.qsl.net/al7fs/>
Anchorage, Alaska
<mailto:al7fs@qsl.net>
ICQ 11022915

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 19:02:22 -0700

From: Bill H Ross <k6mgo@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53415] indoor antenna's
Message-ID: <19991017.190223.-311041.0.k6mgo@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Just worked N5FC, in Rudoso, NM, from Marina Del Rey, CA (near Los Angeles) QRP to QRP, and the best part was both of us were using indoor antennas.

Band was 15M, time 2348 to 0005, when we were taken out by someone calling CQ on top of us.

73, Bill, K6MGO

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:08:58 -0400
From: Tim English <tje@usol.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53416] 12V 7AH Gel Cells For Sale
Message-ID: <4.2.0.58.19991017215101.009fd770@mail.usol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Ok guys here we go again ! Got a pretty large quantity of used but load tested good 12 volt 6AH and 7AH gel cells. Brands are Yuasa, Interstate, Power Patrol, Radionics and others. All cells are fully charged and ready to go. They measure 6 inches long, 3 3/4 inches high and 2 inches wide with 1/4 inch color coded spade terminals. I will ship these to your door via UPS for \$13.00 PPD. I will also offer a 30 day guarantee on any cell they doesnt take or hold a charge above 12 volts. If you are interested, please place your order quickly as they will go fast. I will ship the 7AH jobs first then the 6's so it's first come first served.

On another note, I am looking for an iambic keyer paddle such as a Bencher or Ham key as well as an iambic keyer. A memory keyer like an MFJ Grandmaster would be great or an Auttek MK-1 would suffice as well.

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72 and 73,
Tim, K8TJ

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 18:07:25 -0800
From: Jim Larsen AL7FS <al7fs@pobox.alaska.net>

To: "qrp-1@lehigh.edu" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53417] AK<-->ME A pleasant surprise (corrected copy-0030Z) de AL7FS
Message-ID: <380A80DD.37A65D6D@pobox.alaska.net>
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Jim

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 02:18:11 +0000
From: Brian Short <bshort@speedchoice.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53418] Re: Don't be a Unibomber!
Message-ID: <4.1.19991018021436.00b709d0@mail.phoenix.speedchoice.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

I hate to spoil a perfectly off topic thread with minor details, but it was UNABOMBER, a term coined by the FBI.

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Brian K. Short <http://www.qsl.net/k7on/> <mailto:k7on@arrl.net>

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:33:08 -0400
From: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>
To: njqrp@njqrp.org, "qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53419] Re: Inductor source
Message-ID: <380A86E4.C2F232AA@home.com>

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Has anyone looked into the TOKO units in terms of equivalence with the old J.W. Miller stuff??? I confess I don't understand all the factors beyond the stated inductance.

Charlie Fitts wrote:

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> Hi Skip -
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> Last I knew, Amidon sold "wind your own" slug tuned inductors. Check out:
>
> <http://www.bytemark.com/amidon/content1.htm>
>
> According to the Bytemark website however, they are "restructuring" their
> arrangements with Amidon.
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> 73/72
>
> Charlie Fitts, N1EI
>
> ===== NJ QRP Club Mailing List =====
> To unsubscribe from this list, send email to listserver@vramp.net
> and put the text "unsubscribe njqrp" in the message. To post a
> message to the list, send email to njqrp@njqrp.org.

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 13:02:42 -0500
From: "Randy Jouett" <rules@bellsouth.net>
To: <GDRAG@proedge.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53420] Re: Yagi Antenna raising questions
Message-ID: <028301bf1910\$bf6435d0\$3b094ed8@spock>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: Guy Dragoo <GDRAG@proedge.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, October 14, 1999 10:42 AM
Subject: RE: Yagi Antenna raising questions

Hi Guy,

> Of course there was a sad mishap here in Texas of some professional fellows
> that were raising an antenna on a 1000' (I would guess much less forgiving)
> tower and they caught and broke a guy on the way up....none of them on the
> tower (I believe it was three) survived riding the tower in....

Two dudes were killed here in a tower accident around
a week ago. They were climbing a cellular tower for repair
work :^/ . I wondering if there has been an increase in
tower-related accidents since the cellular towers have been
poking up everywhere?

72/73,

Randy Jouett, AB5NI

72/73,

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:41:39 -0400
From: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>
To: "qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, "njqrp@njqrp.org" <njqrp@njqrp.org>
Subject: [53421] Applying the QRP attitude
Message-ID: <380A88E3.6C2486B2@home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Well, there I was...I had all three NORCAL parts kits. Resistors,
Capacitors and Toroids. How to keep track of everything???
QRPP referred to using coin envelopes or little plastic envelopes so my
first stop was my local office supply place. What I discovered was

interesting.

Little plastic bags were over \$14 for a box of 500

Little brown coin folders were \$7 for a box of 250

A was about to flip a coin when I noticed that the price for a box of plain old #10 envelopes was \$3.50 for 500!!! Nice big envelopes with plenty of parts room. I could use both the top and the bottom of the box the envelopes came in to store the filled envelopes.

It works great...I sorted all my parts while watching the very extended LCS game between Atlanta and NY.

The QRP Attitude...Improvise..Save Money...Still come up with a better way to do things!!!!

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To: "njqrp@njqrp.org" <njqrp@njqrp.org>, "qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [53422] He shall be missed

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Jean Shepherd K20RS SK

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From: "T.J. \"SKIP\" AREY N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>
To: "qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53423] Re: Cyanoacrylates (Super Glue)
Message-ID: <380A8C46.5BAFFDFE@home.com>
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Do you think it's about time this got turned into its own list server???

Come on folks!!!

Now you know why I stick to epoxy. (If that line doesn't generate a few well intentioned jibes nothing will)

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:00:33 -0400
From: "Christopher Cox" <cobox@urec.net>
To: <bshort@speedchoice.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53424] Re: Don't be a Unibomber!
Message-ID: <19991018025201671.AAA202@charlie.logan.net@cbx-nt>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I guess it depends on your spelling of University....

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KC8FRJ

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> I hate to spoil a perfectly off topic thread with minor details,
> but it was UNABOMBER, a term coined by the FBI.

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:58:49 -0400
From: "George F. Allgood" <k4pym@carol.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53425] Knightlites Sunday Net
Message-ID: <003901bf1914\$c519b5a0\$91c9eed0@204.116.183.2.carol.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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The Knightlites QRP ROUNDTABLE for Sunday, October 17, 1999 drew a fair number of low power people, even with the bats swinging in New York!

QNS:

K4NK Les, Greenville, SC 3 Watts to new 80 meter wire. RST 479
WF4I Derek, Greensboro, NC 5 Watts Sierra to Long Wire RST 599
WB0CLD Bill, St. Charles, MO. RST 579
AE4IC Bob, Greensboro, NC RST 589
W3IRZ Mike, Conyers, GA Homebrew Sierra 1 Watt RST 469
N3GO Gary, Raleigh, NC KnightSmite 300 Mw RST 469
WJ4P Randy, Summerville, SC K2 1 Watt RST 589
AA4XX Paul, Raleigh, NC 50 Mw Dipole RST 359
AB4PP J.P. Raleigh, NC 1 Watt RST 579
K4PYM George Walhalla, SC 5 watts G5RV Net Control Station WQ4RP
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George K4PYM

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:02:43 -0400

From: "Al Gritzmacher" <ae2t@arrl.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53426] Re: Standards was...
Message-ID: <199910180255.WAA23995@mx.localnet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

On 14 Oct 99, at 19:03, Michael Neverdosky
<mneverdosky@earthlink.net>wrote:

> The wonderful thing about standards is that there are so many to choose
> from.
>
> There are lots of 'so-called' standards for power connectors but it
> seems that
> every where you go someone is using a different one so it does no good
> at all
> to pick one.

That's very true. If you are into public service communications you'd
do well to make a few adapters from 'your' standard to the other
common 'standards.'

>
> If you are in a Local ARES group and they have a LOCAL standard, then
> you probably
> want to outfit to that standard. Just be aware that as soon as you go as
> far as
> the next county your connectors will probably not fit.
>
> Molex 8amp connectors are rated for continuous commercial service.
> I have never had one fail in intermittant service running to 30 amps and
> more.
>
> The Anderson connectors are great, but there are still different sizes
> and it
> is possible to wire the polarity different from other people so the
> 'reversed'
> connection problem is still there as soon as you want to connect to
> somebody elses
> gear.

If the Molex connectors rated at 8 amps are good for 30, how much
are the Andersons that are rated for 30A good for?!?

While it is possible to wire the Powerpole connectors in more than
one way, it takes NO TOOLS to change them and the red and

black plastic housings make it immediately apparent if they are set up differently. You can wire Molex connectors wrong too, with no color tip off. I remember the Jones plugs were a problem because noone could agree on the polarity they should be wired in.

There are many sizes (and colors) available, but I am only referring to the ONE size and type that Wes Allen has and is promoting as a standard.

>

> The answer, pick a connector you like and use it.

I did. And while if a group has already gone to the trouble of adopting a standard and you are part of that group, you probably should follow suit. But if you have no standard yet, or are making the decision now, these are the way to go.

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> michael N6CHV

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>

The only negative about the Anderson connectors is that you can't walk into your local Radio Shack and buy them. But you can bet if we all stopped buying the cheesy Molex connectors they'd figure it out soon and stock these.

72,
Al Gritzmacher, AE2T
QRP-L #1664 QRP-ARCI #9837 K2 #274
ae2t@arrl.net
<http://members.localnet.com/~ae2t/>
QRP - If you don't try, you'll never know!

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:14:24 -0700
From: "Tim Ahrens" <tahrens@hilconet.com>
To: <ae2t@arrl.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53427] Re: Standards was...
Message-ID: <004401bf1927\$a5d6cd00\$4a0247cf@timahren>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

HI Al & All!

I've used the Anderson plugs for quite a while.. first on Battery

powered RC planes, and on other things as well. They make some really 'mongo' ones too for lotsa amps. They are great.

Hope everyone <who got to go> had a great time at P'con.

cu

Tim W5FN

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 20:20:19 -0700
From: "M. Monninger" <markem@primenet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53428] Re: He shall be missed
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.19991017202019.00873330@pop.primenet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 22:51 10/17/99 -0400, T.J. \ "SKIP\ " Arey N2EI wrote:

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>Jean Shepherd K2ORS SK

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I'm very sorry to hear that. I really enjoyed his books, radio shows, etc.
As a native-born Hoosier I can really relate to many of his stories.

Rest in peace, Shep...

Mark AA7TA

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:23:35 -0400 (EDT)
From: Joel Malman <malman@world.std.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Cc: k1qm@world.std.com
Subject: [53429] Jean Shepherd K2ORS, SK
Message-ID: <199910180323.XAA23552@world.std.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> Jean Shepherd K2ORS SK

I always tried to listen to his unique stories on AM broadcast radio.

It was on WABC in New York City. I also remember him as being active on 6 meters.

Sorry he is now SK. Always remember his best classic book: "I God We Trust -- All Other, Pay Cash."

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/joel K1QM (Ex-wa1qvm) Concord, Massachusetts
QRP-L 337, QRP-ARCI 9305, MI-QRP 1641, NorCal #1884

Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:27:52 EDT

From: kc8aon@juno.com

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [53430] S-meter & Frequency readout for the MFJ-90XX QRP Rigs !

Message-ID: <19991017.233758.4655.1.kc8aon@juno.com>

S-Meter: The same S-meter circuit used in the MFJ-94XX transceivers will work in this radio. To obtain AGC drive for the meter, connect a 5.6K resistor to the wiper connection of AGC pot R43. Connect the other end to the (+) terminal of a 200 uA meter movement. Connect the (-) end of the meter to the wiper of a 1K trimpot (meter zero control). One end of the pot goes to ground. The other "hot" end goes through a 1.5K resistor to regulated (+). This is available at the output of U6 (TP2 is a good place to pick it up). Zero the meter with no signal present, and away you go! Note that the meter will swing full scale when you transmit because the receiver remains on and monitors the transmitter signal to produce a sidetone! Note, also, that you can alter meter sensitivity by changing the value of the 5.6K resistor. I used a small 10k ohm pot here and adjusted it to read just at 30dB over S-9 while transmitting. (30 over was the highest reading on the meter that I used, yours may be different). This is not an accurate method for calibrating the meter, but this is a relative reading meter at best, I use it more for tuning purposes than I do signal reports. I mounted my S-meter in a separate box, one of the small plastic project boxes from Radio Shack will work fine. I then just plug this into a jack that I installed on the back of the rig - CAUTION ! THIS JACK MUST BE ISOLATED ABOVE GROUND ! I used a 1/8 inch headphone jack with a plastic insulator bushing mounted thru the back panel. The meter was salvaged from an old defective CB (a much better use for it anyhow !) If you can find one small enough, I guess you could mount the meter in the front panel of the rig, but it would take a very small meter ! I have recently found a metal cabinet that is the same size of my MFJ-9040 in which I am going to mount a bigger S-meter, and a keyer. Then I plan on mounting the 9040 on top of this just like the piggyback power supply that MFJ offers does. This box has plenty of room, so I may even build some sort of paddle into the front panel of it !

Digital Frequency display for the MFJ-90XX Rigs !

To get a digital frequency readout for my MFJ-9040, I installed an RCA type jack on the back panel right next to the antenna connector. Then I connected a 3.3k ohm resistor between the center connector of the antenna jack and the RCA jack that I installed. This provides about -28dB of attenuation to the RCA jack, allowing connection of a relatively inexpensive handheld freq counter from Radio Shack, then all you do is hit the key and read your transmit frequency on the counter, and no, this doesn't effect your swr or the output power. All the transmitter will see is a high impedance through the resistor and ignore it, just like feeding 2 dipole antennas with one feedline. These do work, I have done them both to my rig, but if you dont have the experience needed, then take it to someone who does ! The Frequency tap by the way will work with most qrp rigs !

73 & good luck !

Rick McKee KC8AON

Email: kc8aon@juno.com

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:37:48 EDT

From: kc8aon@juno.com

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Message-ID: <19991017.233758.4655.2.kc8aon@juno.com>

From: kc8aon

Subject: Portable 12 VDC Power

X-Status: New

By: Rick McKee KC8AON While recently researching the problem of putting a battery backup system on our local repeater, I got to thinking about my own backup system and decided to share the idea with all of you great folks. I wanted my backup power system to be portable, and I also wanted it to be able to run my equipment for several hours or maybe even several days if need be. Being very frugal (yes, you can translate that "cheap"), I decided to build my own portable battery power system. I started by looking around to see what I had on hand that I could house my batteries in. Wanting it to be portable, I thought it would be nice to have a handle on it to make it easier to move from place to place. Then I stumbled across an old US Army ammo box that I no longer used just setting in my shed. This is the kind of box that 50 caliber ammo is

packed in, it is made of steel - very rugged ! It has a handle on it similar to a suitcase handle, the lid has a rubber seal in it that keeps the moisture out, perfect for what I wanted. OK, for the batteries, a friend had given me 4 - 6 volt 9 amp gel cel batteries and these 4 batteries all fit very nicely in the ammo box. Next I took the 4 batteries and wired them up for 12 volt operation - 2 wired together in series gives 12 volts and the 2 - 12 volt packs wired in parallel doubles the current capacity, in this case I ended up with a pack that would be able to handle up to 18 amps for about one hour. But since my equipment only draws a fraction of that amount, I can get several hours use out of each charge (I use this pack mainly with a Radio Shack HTX-202 2 meter HT and sometimes with my MFJ-9040 40 meter QRP rig, both require very little current. I once ran the MFJ rig for a month on the pack without recharging, of course this included a lot of listening which only requires about 150 miliamps of current. OK, back to the project, I placed the 4 batteries in the ammo box and had a little room around the sides to spare so I stuffed some foam rubber in around them for protection and to keep them from banging around when in transit. I still had room on the top of the batteries to store several cables that fit various pieces of equipment, so I placed a piece of rubber on top of them (I cut this from an old inner tube) to prevent any short circuiting of the batteries. Next I drilled 2 holes in one end of the ammo box and installed 2 insulated binding posts, the kind that will allow you to plug in banana plugs, or wrap wire around and tighten the threaded posts to hold the wire in place. Use a red one for the positive side and a black one for the negative side, in my case the negative side is a white one, but I used what I had. I then added a cigar lighter type plug to the pack and a small meter with a push to test button, and make sure you fuse the positive side with a fuse rated the same as your max current. You could even add a main power cutoff switch if you want - use your imagination. To charge this pack, I made up a cable and connected it to my AC power supply. This cable has a 6 amp rectifier diode in line that will prevent the battery from discharging into the supply when the main power is off, so every time my AC power supply is on the batteries are getting topped off. Being a 12 volt supply, you can even charge it from the cigar lighter socket in your car, and I even have a small 12 volt 1 amp trickle charger that I can use when away from home, this is the type of charger used with motorcycle batteries. Go ahead, build a portable power supply, could prove very handy some day - maybe when you climb into a National Guard Hum - V that's has a 24 volt system, you just take your own power !By for now & 73.....KC8AON
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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 22:53:34 -0500
From: guillotstutoring@juno.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53432] Re: He shall be missed
Message-ID: <19991017.225339.-594553.0.guillotstutoring@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Talk about Super Glue, Jean Shepherd used to talk about his "old man" using a glue that was used to glue exploded locomotives back together. Or his prom where he got so sick he even threw up the roast beef sandwich that he had eaten two weeks before. The Knights of Columbus wanted to win so badly that they used to hire him to play on their team as if he were a member: One time he asked who they were playing and was told, "Those SOB's at Immaculate Conception. Around Christmas PBS sometimes runs his Christmas show, which is very funny too.

72, Ed Guillot, N5ED, New Orleans, LA
qrp-1#1951, qrp-parci#3988, ARRL(life)

"T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com> writes:
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> T.J. "SKIP" AREY N2EI e-mail tjarey@home.com

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 20:59:20 -0700 (PDT)
From: Christian Void <cvoid@netcom.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53433] oscillator help
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9910172006.A1836-01000000@netcom9.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

i need some help getting an oscillator to oscillate. i ugly-constructed the simple 150mW CW transmitter in W1FB's design notebook (page 151) and

it doesn't want to oscillate. when i key it, the freq counter drops from randomness to somewhere between 1.5 and 1.8 kHz. the rock is 7.110. i want some tips on what to check/measure, as i am in the dark here. tried the suggested tips to get it to oscillate with no luck.

(learn by building -- and asking lots of questions!)

thanks in advance es 73 de christian kf6ihu/9

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 01:01:38 EDT
From: N7YA@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53434] Re: ANOTHER GOOD SITE
Message-ID: <0.8e9a1b53.253c03b2@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 10/10/99 6:40:12 PM Pacific Daylight Time, N10DL@aol.com writes:

<< Look up the <http://www.snap.com> page and plug in QRP. Has lots of stuff. have fun.
Aron >>

Lots of stuff doesnt even cover it, the first page of hits was numerous.....there were 183 pages to go!!! make some time to explore!

73...Adam, N7YA

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 00:39:11 -0600
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
To: N7YA@aol.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu, CQCList@cqc.org
Subject: [53435] Re: ANOTHER GOOD SITE
Message-ID: <199910180637.AAA09113@edison.chisp.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

>>
<< Look up the <http://www.snap.com> page and plug in QRP. Has lots of stuff.<<

And look what comes up first! And second! It'll get you to CQC, but the

link's actually about two years out of date [g].

73

Marshall Emm

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Date: Sun, 17 Oct 1999 23:47:11 -0700

From: sigcom@juno.com

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [53436] Pacificon

Message-ID: <19991017.234719.-519661.0.sigcom@juno.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Group,

Just flew in from Pacificon and boy, are my arms tired (pahrupp pump).

But seriously folks, you should've seen the TT2/MRX Fox Hunt. What a hoot. Almost 50 little Tunas all in one room, in every configuration imaginable, bleeping away for almost an hour. And that poor fox, his pelt was fairly ragged by the end of the evening. But everyone was smiling and the grins were ear-to-ear.

Thanks to everyone responsible for hosting the QRP events at Pacificon and my special thanks to Dave Willey, KD6KWM who had the foresight to bring along a tool kit with soldering iron. That saved my bacon when a wire broke in my Tuna right before the start of the contest.

73.....Steve, WB6TNL

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 01:07:01 PDT

From: "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>

To: ken.hanks@po.state.ct.us, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53437] Re: Exploding Batteries
Message-ID: <19991018080702.25388.qmail@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

>

>Something to think about before the next trip to the field with a box of
>"AA" cells.

I used to work for Racal on military radio systems, and something like this happened there. An army office was changing the battery on one of our manpack radios during the field trials, and it exploded. He was holding the radio between his legs at the time (makes it easier to get at the wing-nuts). Luckily, he wasn't injured, just shocked. The battery manufacturer subsequently established that a combination of a faulty cell, and a couple of contacts that were too close together could result in a spark that caused the explosion. They actually got another battery to explode this way, and recorded the results - it went off like a small bomb with fragments all over the place.

73, Leon

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 07:13:08 EDT
From: WB9MII@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53438] Re: K2ORS SK
Message-ID: <0.272213e6.253c5ac4@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
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I am sorry to hear of the passing of Jean Shepard. I seem to recall reading that an interviewer asked him about his first rig and QSO and he'd said his first rig was a 1 tube 1 watter. In any event, I was saddened to hear of his passing.

Greg WB9MII

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 07:40:42 +0000
From: Michael Neverdosky <mneverdosky@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l mailing list <qrp-l@Lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53439] Re: Standards was...
Message-ID: <380AC0EA.8DCEF58A@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Al Gritzmacher wrote:

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> > I have never had one fail in intermittant service running to 30 amps and
> > more.

> If the Molex connectors rated at 8 amps are good for 30, how much
> are the Andersons that are rated for 30A good for!?

Well in radio controlled electric sailplane competition, the people who were running big motors and high voltage battery packs started having trouble with the molex at something over 60 amps many of them went to the Anderson powerpoles and I never did see one of those have a problem. Some of those planes would draw more than 80 amps.

> The only negative about the Anderson connectors is that you can't
> walk into your local Radio Shack and buy them. But you can bet if
> we all stopped buying the cheesy Molex connectors they'd figure
> it out soon and stock these.

The molex has been a common part in industry for LOTS of years.
They are not 'cheesy' but should be used properly.
Most of the problems I have seen with molex have been due to
poor assembly.

I will agree that for high current applications especially where you need
to take the connection apart frequently, the powerpoles are better.

BTW How many people on this list run radios that NEED more than 8 amps

continuously?

michael N6CHV

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 08:02:52 -0400
From: "wayne reed" <wlreed@custom.net>
To: <dandooley@pipeline.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53440] Re: X-rays effecting radio gear?
Message-ID: <000e01bf1960\$b59292e0\$9a4961ce@q7c8d5>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Gang,

When dealing with security people at airports [do you know what they pay those people? - I suspect from the general quality, not much], if you have 'stuff' they are going to check by hand and get up tight about, do this: Look at them innocently and ask if they have a supervisor?

This gets the pressure off of them.

The supervisor [in my experience of hand carrying military electronics] will be MUCH more likely to understand Amateur licences, travel orders, or any other out of the ordinary explanation. Additionally, your willingness to deal with authorities would seem to indicate you are not trying to "pull a fast one".

It always worked for me, but I don't know if security personnel are getting better or <shudder> worse with time, being retired from all that now, you see.

When traveling, I always tried to be casual, relaxed and clean. Smile a lot and be considerate of the ticket personnel and the hired help. I got away with a lot by doing so.

Good luck,

Wayne, k9ne

wlreed@custom.net

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 09:34:00 -0400
From: "Franco, Nicholas J" <franco@bnl.gov>
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53441] A Neat Find
Message-ID: <698DB793D712D31180B600902746422D50B93B@exchange01.bnl.gov>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

We have seen mentioned here the Sardine Sender. I read the posts but that was about it. A Ham friend gave me a loose leaf stuffed with articles and photos spanning many years, mostly from CQ mag. He told me it was mostly antenna articles. I recently moved my office and decided to look through this old loose leaf to see if there was anything I really wanted to keep.

There was the original QST cover from October 1978 of the Sardine Sender - "Have fun with this 3/4-watt 80-meter weekend project." and the article too. Wow! Might not turn many of you on, but I immediately put this into a clear plastic protective sleeve for safe keeping.

Have a great week - Tally-Ho!

72,

Nick - KFox2PH . . .

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 07:38:15 -0600 (CST)
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
To: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53442] Re: He shall be missed
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.991018073614.19157C-1000000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I hadn't heard about Jean Shepard's passing Skip....I shall miss him very much as I used to enjoy him while I worked for Public Broadcasting Service, WENH-TV, while I lived in New Hampshire...thanks for letting the list know.....

..72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272
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S4S-4Z2, Canada-AR Stamp Collector- "QRP! How sweet it is!"

On Sun, 17 Oct 1999, T.J. "SKIP" Arey N2EI wrote:

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> Jean Shepherd K2ORS SK
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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 07:15:15 PDT
From: "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53443] FS: Loaded Ten-Tec Scout with 9 Band Modules & Mobile Mount
Message-ID: <19991018141515.37238.qmail@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Gang --

For sale: Ten-Tec Scout including mobile mounting bracket, microphone, and modules for 160-m, 80-m, 40-m, 30-m, 17-m, 15-m, 12-m & 10-m. One module at a time fits in the rig. The eight extras fit in a dedicated container. Since you can throttle the power down to nil from 50 W, the Scout would make a perfect PSK31 rig. It runs smooth QSK CW, but it's basically designed as a mobile SSB rig. It works fine and has served me well, but I need to raise some cash. \$515 plus shipping according to your choice of shipping method.

Thanks and 72,

Bruce Prior N7RR in Blaine, WA -- one of the Mangy Musers
n7rr@arrl.net telephone (360) 332-6046

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:16:27 -0400
From: "ai2q" <ai2q@ispchannel.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion (E-mail)" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53444] Bypass cap substitutions
Message-ID: <000501bf1973\$5ed95ca0\$5c32a7d0@ai2q.ispchannel.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Hi Andy:

I used 0.2 uF where I had 'em on my 2N2/40, and 0.1 uF where I didn't! Take a look at where they're used, and make a judgement call based on the application. For most bypassing applications, I don't think it's going to make a significant difference. My 2N2/40 works really well, by the way--even though there are parts substitutions here and there.

Check over the emails; there are some missing parts in the pictorials that are on the schematics, and the pictorial drawings showing the toroidal transformer windings are not correct.

Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L #687 .-.-.

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Andy C Meng
Sent: Saturday, October 16, 1999 7:01 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: 2N2/40 0.2uF caps, SM caps

Hi everyone,

I started building the output section of a 2N2/40. I have the pads installed for the finals and output filter. They are soldered to the board since I don't have any suitable glue. I am planning to put this in an Altoids box and use it as an outboard RF amp, and to get a feel for the "Manhattan" technique. I have some questions about some of the parts.

Does anyone know why .2uF caps were used all over? Did Jim have a whole bunch that needed to be used, or are they there for a better reason?

In the output filter, Silver mica caps are used, as they are in several other designs. Why is this? Would NP0's work? (I don't have any Silver Mica's)

Thanks for reading this.

Andy

Andy KC8KFI/AE Cincinnati, OH freshman at St. Xavier HS
www.stxavier-cincy.org
total HF QRP CW contacts; 59 WEB: www.qsl.net/kc8kfi andymeng@juno.com
SW40+, SB-104 running 0-5W into a dipole at 12ft -- straight key or
paddles
projects: IR start timer for motocross practice track, restoring SB-104
to semi-
working condition -- DONE!, wirebrushing and painting tower, SMT G4WIF
regen

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:29:54 -0400
From: David Hinerman <dlh1009@ritvax.isc.rit.edu>
To: qrp-l <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53445] Re:
Message-ID: <380B2EE2.633882AF@rit.edu>
MIME-version: 1.0
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kc8aon@juno.com wrote:

> By: Rick McKee KC8AON While recently researching the problem of
> putting a battery backup system on our local repeater, I got to thinking
> about my own backup system and decided to share the idea with all of you
> great folks. I wanted my backup power system to be portable, and I also
> wanted it to be able to run my equipment for several hours or maybe even
> several days if need be. Being very frugal (yes, you can translate that
> "cheap"), I decided to build my own portable battery power system. I
> started by looking around to see what I had on hand that I could house my
> batteries in. Wanting it to be portable, I thought it would be nice to

> have a handle on it to make it easier to move from place to place. Then
> I stumbled across an old US Army ammo box that I no longer used just
> setting in my shed. This is the kind of box that 50 caliber ammo is
> packed in, it is made of steel - very rugged !

Rick,

I knew a ham from Toledo who built a VHF foxhunting transmitter into
such a box. He found a watertight connector for RF, and everything else
went into the box behind the rubber seal. The thing was ALMOST
submersible.

These "ammo cans" are great for just about everything. Except
backpacking. (Grin)

Dave

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Dave Hinerman WD8CIV
Ontario, NY Grid FN13IF
dlh1009@rit.edu

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 07:48:07 -0700 (PDT)
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@dri.edu>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53446] Pacificon
Message-ID: <Pine.GS0.4.10.9910180730010.22079-100000@rotor.dri.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Hi All,

Just a short note to let everyone know what a super job
Doug, Jim and the whole NorCal crew did again this year.

There were yellow Zombie tee shirts, Yellow NorCal tee
shirts, Zombie badges and pink QRP badges everywhere. There
was even a white Super Glue tee shirt.....I'll let you guess
who had that one on!

Everything went like clockwork. The hotel staff were very
helpfull even making copies free!

Some Zombie badges wound up on people that you can't imagen....
but I'll let Doug tell those stories! :-)

The TT2/Fox hunt was unbelievable! There was Chuck Adams standing on a chair trying to get his antenna higher and next to him was Dave Fifield trying to get up on the table to outdo Chuck.....all this while sending! There are photos!

Luckily I brought along enough clip leads and wire nuts to make a few last minute repairs/replacements and work the Fox. The local QRM was BAD....people talking and laughing so loud I almost could not hear the Fox.....and then the guy next to you with his antenna 3" from yours would call and there went that ear! :-)

I think it was in a conversation with Paul Harden that we talked about the banquet going on in the next room....you only heard the silverware clicking on the plates. Now if that had been a QRP banquet the noise level would have been way up! :-) And believe it or not, but most of the people at that banquet had on suits and ties! Geeeeesssh....sure sounds like how to have fun to me!

Thanks to all. I had a super time.

cul,

73, Ron, SOWP 5545M,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada.....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 16:07:26 +0100
From: "Frank G3YCC" <frank@g3ycc.karoo.co.uk>
To: <k6mgo@juno.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53447] Re: Touch Sensitive Key(er)
Message-ID: <00b301bf197a\$8423b3a0\$d1a732d4@prsat0x1>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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It should work well, mine does. If you build two side by side you can use iambic keying. One idea for the 'paddles' is to use brass buttons as the touch plates. Rubber tap washers can be used to insulate from the metal box. Remember you need to keep one finger or the palm of your hand etc on the box (ground).'

Cheers

Frank G3YCC G QRP 042
QRP web page <http://www.karoo.co.uk/g3ycc/>

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 09:13:06 -0600
From: Rod Cerkoney <rlwc@frii.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53448] next BIG thing?
Message-ID: <19991018091306.29127@frii.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Well it is coming up on a a year since getting into QRP & QRP-L. I've enjoyed reading about the various fest & forums FDIIM, Atlanticon, Ft Tuthill...etc. Now it is time to attend some. Want to go to Pacificon, but other things got in the way...oh to be retired now that retirement attitude has arrived. ;-)

For Y2K it is: FDIIM & Ft Tuthill -- OR BUST!

But, is there something coming up between now & FDIIM that I'm forgetting about that I should consider?

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72/3 Rod, N0RC Y2K -- FDIIM & Ft Tuthill -- OR BUST!
da di dah

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:15:09 -0500
From: Michael Melland <badger@vbe.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53449] PM3A power output ?
Message-ID: <380B397D.73C8D154@vbe.com>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Just picking your brains. My little PM3A's manual states that power input is typically 5 watts. I'm getting about 2 watts output max. on 40 meters and 1.5+- out on 20. Is that typical ? Sure is a fun little rig to operate !

73 de Mike, W9WIS

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 08:20:43 -0700
From: "NA6E" <mcherry@calweb.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53450] RE: Pacificon
Message-ID: <NDBBKOCKMLENMENHNPHHKECKCCAA.mcherry@calweb.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Big thanks go out to Doug, Jim, Jerry and all who helped put on this great qrp event. And Ron, you didn't mention all the imagination that went into the TT2 enclosures. Especially Bertie Hightower's "alien". That was terrific. I managed to nab the fox even tho I had to go up front and almost hook my antenna into the back of Mike Gipe's rig. Mike did a bang up job and big thanks to him for the fun. I had to leave early but I did manage to pick up a NoGaPIG from the Georgia QRP club, the 2N2/40 Board kit from AZ ScQRPions and a whole fistful of kits that Dick Pascoe brought from the G-QRP club supplied by Kanga Products, not to mention all the goodies from the swap meet and the vendors area :)

Thank you Doug and all for a wonderful QRP weekend.

72/3
Mary, NA6E

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:40:50 EDT
From: NB6M@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53451] Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <0.d1b7ba89.253c9982@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Roofing projects and family obligations kept me from attending Pacificon more than just a few hours snatched here and there. So, I wasn't able to get a

Compendium while they were handing them out. By the time I got there, there simply weren't any more.

I enjoyed a few of the presentations, but missed more than I was able to attend.

Is there any plan to print more Compendiums and sell them?

Thanks,

Wayne NB6M

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 08:43:38 -0700
From: Brian Kassel <bkassel@dancris.com>
To: n7rr@hotmail.com, QRP-L <QRP-L@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53452] re: New Contest Logging Program - Honest RST's
Message-ID: <380B402A.9997BFEB@dancris.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bruce Prior wrote:

Dear Brian --

Good for you for making your beta version available. I have a simple question: Does your program ENCOURAGE people to give honest signal reports, or does it DISCOURAGE them to do the same? I consider the practice of spewing out ubiquitous 599 RST's in DXing and contesting fundamentally dishonest and therefore unsportsmanlike.

Bruce:

Thanks very much for your input. In the ScQRPion Contest program series, there are several methods that are easily employed by the contest operator to send an accurate signal report in the contest exchange:

- 1.) Simply tab to the RST TX field, type in the report. The new report will be saved.
- 2.) Use your mouse, and let it sit in the the RST TX field. As each QSO is worked, click on the field, and type in the new report. Again, the new report will be saved.
- 3.) Use the ALT key combination for that field, type in the new report.

It will be saved.

You are probably correct about the reports being improperly sent as all the same reports, but it's a fact of life in every contest, QRP or not. There are a few contests that do not include a signal report as part of the exchange, but they are only a very few in number.

Maybe you should post a message to the group asking who feels the same as you on this issue. Then begin a writing campaign, along with the others to eliminate that portion of the exchange in future contests. If the situation is destined to change, someone needs to start the ball rolling. You might be surprised at the power of the pen (or keyboard;).

Brian W5VB0 (still)
Az ScQRPions

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 08:58:17 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jim Durkin <jimdurkin@yahoo.com>
To: NB6M@aol.com, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53453] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <19991018155817.10318.rocketmail@web304.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

I would like to buy one of these also.

73

Jim kt4a

--- NB6M@aol.com wrote:

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> Thanks,

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> Wayne NB6M
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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 09:22:42 -0700
From: ki6ds@dpol.k12.ca.us (Hendricks, Doug)
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Cc: <WA6GER@aol.com>
Subject: [53454] Pacificon Report, L0000000NG
Message-ID: <01bf1985\$014f9240\$630a0d0a@doug.dpol.k12.ca.us>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Whew, boy was I tired last night. Went to bed at 9:00 PM after JoAnne woke me up the third time in the easy chair. I had a great time. The speakers Saturday were all outstanding, and spoke to standing room only crowds in each session. The Pacificon people kept coming by, looking in, shaking their heads and mumbling as they walked away.

I enjoyed all of them, but I have to comment on Mike Gipe's presentation. As a teacher, I know how hard it is to get people going the last period of the day. But if you could have seen Mike work the crowd you would have been amazed. He had every person in the room enjoying themselves!! Wonderful job.

The event started early, with builders showing up Friday afternoon in the Hospitality room to build their TT2/MRX or even to trouble shoot. Ron Smith, KE6RS brought along a full set of tools to help out the guys, and I want to thank him for his help. We had 4 kits built and working at the session, and several more were "debugged" by the experts. Finally, we had to shut down the session as we all met in the lobby of the hotel to go to Fuddrucker's Hamburger Place. What a riot that was, over 70 QRPers showed up, they put us upstairs in our own room and treated us great. They even delivered our food to us. When we got up there, I understood why they did, because the noise level was unbelievable, laughing, talking, having fun, all were the order of the day. And, NO hassle like last year at Tony Roma's. So, guys, next year, same time, same place.

After the meal we all went back to the hotel for the Tuna Tin 2/MRX First Annual Mike Gipe as the Fox, all in one room Fox Hunt. There were some big contest types in this one folks, including Chuck Adams, Dave Fifield, Bob Tellefsen, Ron Stark, I'm talking guys who were out for bear. Every packaging scheme imaginable was used for the TT2/MRX combos, and Jerry Parker will have pictures later. Jerry was even in the contest, and had his rig built into his tie, a "Looney Tune Tuna" tie. No one knew it, and he walked up beside Mike, effectively going "mobile" and worked him. I'll let him describe his setup, but it was hilarious. Pretty soon Chuck and Dave were standing on the table, trying for more altitude, and begging for a contact. Ron Smith and Dave Meacham had loop antennas, Brian Kassel built his rig into a hard hat, Ron Stark's looked like the biggest rat's nest I have ever seen, there was the battle between Mary and Mark Cherry as to who did the best job. Both were great. Joe Everhart's was a masterful job, including a NJQRP Club Amp, Chuck's was unbelievable. He used Manhattan style construction, and his own output filter which was the cleanest when it was tested by Paul and Darrel. But the TT2/MRX beauty contest was won by Paul Harden, who had another plumber's delight rig. You have to see that one. Second prize went to Joe Everhart, third to Chuck Adams, and fourth to Brian "the hat" Kassel.

We spent the rest of Friday night visiting.

Saturday morning I got up early and had to wake Jay, W5JAY up twice, boy those guys from Arkansas sure like to sleep. Jay was a tremendous help to me, and I want to say a public thank you to him. He did all kinds of errands that made the event run smoothly, and I sure appreciated his help. He even brought a TT2/MRX built by the most famous QRPer in Ft. Smith, Kelsey Mikel, that I used to make my qso with in the TT2/MRX event Friday night. Kelsey has told me that he plans on being here next year, so we are all going to get to meet him.

Saturday was filled with talks by Joe Everhart who explained how to have quickies, Paul Harden who went through the Desert Ratt 3 stage by stage and explained how every thing worked. It was like a mini Elmer 101 course, condensed to 1 hour, but what a masterful job he did. Jim Duffey gave a very comprehensive talk on antennas, and the part that I liked best was that he encouraged everyone to build antennas, to experiment, to NOT be afraid to fail. He said that you might learn more from your failures than your successes. Jim also stressed the importance of keeping records in your log. While some may say stick with the tried and true, Jim says get out there and build, experiment and have fun!! Take it from me, you will learn far more with Jim's method.

Our special guest this year from England was Dick Pascoe, G0BPS, who was absolutely delightful. Everyone loved his British accent, and his version of the English language (which is much different than the one I learned growing up in Kansas.) Dick told us the history of QRP, that the oldest QRP

Club was the QRP Reporting Society in England that was started in the late 40's. It disbanded in the mid 1950's. He also said that the second oldest QRP Club was the G-QRP Club started by George Dobbs, G3RJV and still going strong at 10,000 plus members. ARCI is 35+ years old, but did not convert to a QRP Club until 1981. It started as a 100 Watt club and since the definition of QRP generally accepted is 5 Watts, ARCI comes in third. But they are the oldest QRP Club in the US that Mr. Pascoe knows of. Wonderful, entertaining talk, and if you ever get the opportunity to hear Dick speak, by all means do so.

Jim Kortge, K8IQY, did a fantastic job talking about building and designing the 2N22/6 transverter built from 2N2222 transistors. Jim uses Manhattan building style construction, and he had the entire room's attention the whole time. I counted 256 people in the audience for his presentation. If the fire marshall would have been there, there would have been a riot. Every seat taken, people standing all around the room, and 5 or 6 deep at the doors. What a job. Very technical, but easily understood, due to Jim's outstanding way of presenting and explaining.

The last speaker of the day was Mike Gipe, K1MG. Mike was awesome. He conducted a boot camp for QRPers, and taught everyone how to do the happy dance. His presentation was full of useful operating tips from casual operating, to how to work the fox to snagging that rare DX. Mr. Gipe is a pro. Everyone had a great time, and I learned a couple of tricks that I want to use.

We went over to the commercial exhibits after the talks, and guess which two vendors were doing land office business? Red Hot Radio and Elecraft. Both had people standing in line waiting to buy. I bought a Red Hot 40 and a K2 with SSB adapter. I said that I was going to wait until I could take delivery when I paid my money, and I walked away a happy guy!! JoAnne will have to find something else to buy me for my birthday, grin.

Saturday night we had the building contest, and here are the winners.

Regen Building Contest:

1st Place - Anthony Felino

2nd Place - Jeff Furman

3rd Place - Vern Wright

Manhattan Style Construction

1st Place - Chuck Adams

2nd Place - Chuck Adams

3rd Place - I did not get the name, if you know who it was, please email me!!

The vendors set up all around the room, and they were everywhere. I can't begin to list them all. Richie Stamile, KG2ED, was there with Mitch Louis,

and these guys came from New York and Florida to attend and show the Long Island Mercury. Guys came by all night and did the test drive. Ori was really impressed and he can send fast, believe me. I saw Jim Cates taking a loooooong look and having a serious talk with Richie. Don't be surprised to see one show up in Sacramento some day. Jerry Parker was there with Zombie and NorCal T-Shirts. Jan Medley was passing out Zombie badges, and guess who the newest Zombie member is?? Riley Hollingsworth came by the Qrp Hospitality room, he won a Zombie badge at the Main Banquet, and wanted to see what it was all about. He loved the projects, and was amazed by all of the enthusiams and fun people were having. He told me that the next time someone tells him that no one builds in ham radio, he will set them straight. Riley is now a zombie, has a NorCal Zombie T-Shirt, and is a member of NorCal. But the best thing about Mr. Hollingsworth is that he is a ham, and a very nice guy. If you are at a hamfest and he is there, don't be shy about talking with him. He is a qrp'er!! Grin.

We had lots of fun this weekend, and it was all due to the attendance of QRPers. Pacificon would be nothing without your coming and participating. The speakers all appreciate a full audience, the open house would be an empty house without people. Thanks for coming. Thanks also to Ron Smith, Dave Fifield, Jay Bromley, Gary Diana, and Jeff Furman for providing transportation for the speakers.

We handed out 300 compendiums and they were gone by 9:30 Saturday morning. I was asked by at least another 100 to 150 people if I had more. That tells me that the attendance of QRPers was about 400 - 450. A huge response, and very gratifying. We can't wait until next year, and have already started to plan. We have the following speakers booked: Tony Fishpool and Graham Firth from England, Dan Tayloe from Phoenix, Gary Surrency from Chandler, and Dave Gauding from St. Louis. We will be picking up 2 more, but will wait and see what happens in QRP before we commit.

Jim and I want to thank everyone for the wonderful time that you made possible for us to have this weekend. 72, Doug, KI6DS & Jim, WA6GE

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:22:45 -0500
From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>
To: jimdurkin@yahoo.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53455] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <380B4955.94314D38@swbell.net>
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Jim Durkin wrote:

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> I would like to buy one of these also.

> 73

> Jim kt4a

If you want one you will need to get someone who has one to copy it for you. From what was said prior to Pacificon there are no plans to offer them to non-attendees.

73 de Dave, N0IT

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 12:37:04 -0400
From: "Tim Cook" <timcook@erinet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, "[Ten Tec] - Reflector" <tentec@contesting.com>
Subject: [53456] FS/T: Ten Tec 509 with accessories
Message-ID: <00b001bf1987\$03c22e00\$85735acf@timcook.erinet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Excellent condition Ten Tec Argonaut 509 with matching 208 CW filter, 206A 25/100 khz Xtal Calibrator and Turner 350C hand mic.. . It is all original, including the knobs. It is serial number 4622 (later one with solid state T/R board). It also has the larger main tuning knob similar to the Omni series. Real hot receiver on all bands and puts out at least the specified power on all bands. It is rated at 2W output, but 3 to 4 watts out is more common with a 13.8 volt supply. All the lamps work, dial cord is fine and PTO is smooth. It looks and works great. I have documentation for everything. Here is a link to one, although not the actual unit, you could not tell the difference if you had them side by side.

<http://asd.state.va.us/tentec/large/509.jpg>

\$350 for the entire package shipped in the lower 48
please email direct for more info ..

Thanks

Tim

NZ8J

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 09:51:32 -0700
From: ki6ds@dpol.k12.ca.us (Hendricks, Doug)

To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53457] Rich Fisher, KI6SN, is new columnist for QRPp
Message-ID: <01bf1989\$081a0480\$630a0d0a@doug.dpol.k12.ca.us>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Jim and I are very happy to announce that Richard Fisher, KI6SN, has agreed to write a 4 page column about members news, operating, building, etc for QRPp. Richard is a long time friend, and is one of the best known QRP columnists in the world. His column in World Radio is one of the most influential of all the QRP columns, and is the first thing I read in World Radio every month. He is always on top of what is happening in QRP, and we are thrilled to have him.

I announced that Rich would be coming aboard QRPp Saturday morning, and the reaction from the crowd was as follows: 00000H! GASP!! YESS!!! Applause, smiles and nodding of heads.

QRPp has never had a regular columnist, but we broke that rule when Rich became available. I know that he will be a huge asset to QRPp, and can't wait for his first column which will be in the Winter issue.

Rich will be announcing the name of his new column with the first installment. If you have items to contribute, you can email Rich at ki6sn@yahoo.com .

Wow!! Can't wait to see his column. 72, Doug, KI6DS

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:48:03 -0500
From: Sam_Stimson@Dell.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53458] Red Hot
Message-ID: <5F97C32016F1D1119B1700A0C98422E702D75E2F@ausxmbrh05.us.dell.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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I just joined the list and have already seen a couple of posts mentioning Red Hot Radio.
Does anyone know if they have a URL?

Sam E Stimson
Supplier Quality Engineer

mailto:Sam_Stimson@dell.com

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 12:52:30 -0400
From: "Dieter Gentzow - WB8QYY" <wb8qyy@one.net>
To: <frank@g3ycc.karoo.co.uk>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53459] Re: Touch Sensitive Key(er)
Message-ID: <002901bf1989\$2b9dd080\$6401020a@lsiindustries.com>
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What's really coooool are capacitive touch paddles. No ground required!
73

Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - WB8QYY
Loveland, Ohio (NE Cincinnati suburb)
FPqrp#1 QRP-L#1998 10-X#9389 CATT#26 K2#493
<http://w3.one.net/~gentzow/wb8qyy.htm>

----- Original Message -----
From: Frank G3YCC <frank@g3ycc.karoo.co.uk>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 11:07 AM
Subject: Re: Touch Sensitive Key(er)

> It should work well, mine does. If you build two side by side you can use
> iambic keying. One idea for the 'paddles' is to use brass buttons as the
> touch plates. Rubber tap washers can be used to insulate from the metal
box.
> Remember you need to keep one finger or the palm of your hand etc on the
box
> (ground).'
> Cheers
>
> Frank G3YCC G QRP 042
> QRP web page <http://www.karoo.co.uk/g3ycc/>
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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 12:02:13 -0500
From: Sam_Stimson@Dell.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53460] Red Hot Radio
Message-ID: <5F97C32016F1D1119B1700A0C98422E702D75E31@ausxmbrh05.us.dell.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Thanks to Allan, Andreas, Dave and Rod. This is one quickly responding list....

Sam

Sam E Stimson
Supplier Quality Engineer
mailto:Sam_Stimson@dell.com

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 13:03:20 EDT
From: GElam30092@aol.com
To: Sam_Stimson@dell.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53461] Re: Red Hot
Message-ID: <0.dcc52873.253cacd8@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 10/18/1999 9:51:43 AM US Mountain Standard Time,
Sam_Stimson@Dell.com writes:

<< I just joined the list and have already seen a couple of posts mentioning
Red Hot Radio.

Does anyone know if they have a URL? >>

<http://www.redhotradio.com/>

Cheers,
Gerry Elam
PHX AZ

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 12:08:04 -0500
From: "Vernon A. Hatley" <vhatley@ilinkusa.net>
To: "QRP-L Group" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [53462] FS: Complete MFJ 20m QRP station
Message-ID: <001a01bf198c\$15c4d440\$24dca7d0@hatley>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Excellent condition. MFJ-9020 rig, matching 971 tuner, and matching 4114 power pack. All stock in perfect working order. Shipped COD to your door, \$225.

KK5R0
Vernon A. Hatley
Shawnee, OK

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:53:24 -0700
From: ki6ds@dpol.k12.ca.us (Hendricks, Doug)
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53463] NJ QRP Club Journal, the QRP Homebrewer
Message-ID: <01bf1991\$acd73300\$630a0d0a@doug.dpol.k12.ca.us>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guys, I got my first issue of the NJ QRP Club Journal, the QRP Homebrewer from Joe Everhart at Pacificon. Take a tip from me, you want to get in on the ground floor of this magazine. The first issue is unbelievable for a first effort. Those of you who have the complete set of QRPP's, take a look at the first issue of QRPP. Take a look at the issues of QQ from the early 80's, the early issues of Sprat, and compare them to the first issue of QRP Homebrewer, and it is not even close.

George Heron, N2APB has done a very professional job. The articles are excellent, and they are aimed at the homebrewer, with an emphasis on the beginner. But the articles are not just for the beginner, they are entertaining, full of good useful information, and fun to read. Joe Everhart has an outstanding article on portable antennas, Gary Diana does a neat tutorial on how to make your own circuit boards, and a "new" guy to the writing scene for QRP, Tony Coaliguori, W2GUM, is going to have a regular column, called Gummer's Gadgets I believe. His first one is an antenna reel built into an Altoids can, and it is brilliant. Lots more articles in there, all good reading. 64 pages, full of QRP information, and the subscription fee is \$15.

Larry posted that he thought it would be a dilution of information. I disagree, I think it will enhance QRP with another outlet for articles. Guys, the more information available out there, the better it is for all of us. I know that I have enough information to print QRPP monthly, but I don't have the time to do it. George is providing a service to QRP, an outlet for more writers, and I encourage you to support George and the NJ Qrp Club by subscribing. The cost is \$15 per year US, \$20 per year DX. Subscription details on the NJ QRP Club page.

Don't wait on this one either. They only printed 500 copies of the first run, so you better hurry. Send in your \$15 and get your first issue immediately. They have a them ready to send out. In fact, you might want to email George and have him save a copy for you, send him an email, send a check and get ready for great reading when it arrives in a week or so. I know for a fact that 50 some guys signed up at Pacificon, and George's mailbox has been filled every day. Remember, you snooze, you lose.

I have no financial interest in this at all. George Heron and the rest of the NJ QRPers are great guys. They are doers and contributors in QRP. We need people like them. They need our support. It is a win-win situation. Guys ask what they can do to help qrp. Help by supporting the clubs with your money for subscriptions. It costs money to produce journals. Yes I know we have the web, but it isn't permanent like a printed copy. Web sites disappear, my stack of journals doesn't. 72, Doug, KI6DS who was the first guy in line with his \$30 (I went for 2 years guys!!)

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:44:38 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jim Durkin <jimdurkin@yahoo.com>
To: sjolin@swbell.net, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53464] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <19991018174438.22310.rocketmail@web307.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Dave,
Thanks for the note. In another note KI6DS mentioned that there were even 100 to 150 who attended who were not able to get a copy. I did read some of the earlier notes and had given up on ever getting a copy. Suspect there might be other lurkers like me who have an interest if things change.

73

Jim kt4a.

--- Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net> wrote:

> Jim Durkin wrote:
> >
> > I would like to buy one of these also.
> > 73
> > Jim kt4a
>
> If you want one you will need to get someone who has
> one to copy it for
> you. From what was said prior to Pacificon there are
> no plans to offer
> them to non-attendees.
>
> 73 de Dave, N0IT
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Do You Yahoo!?
Bid and sell for free at <http://auctions.yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:03:13 -0700
From: "Bruce" <Bruce2@prodigy.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53465] QRP Hombrewer-Journal of the New Jersey QRP Club
Message-ID: <000901bf1993\$0d09dba0\$b7809cd1@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Just wish to confirm what Doug said previously.
I read the copy which I picked up at Pacificon last evening and was VERY
impressed with it.
I subscribed today. It's great!

Bruce WB4WZL

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 14:14:50 -0400
From: "Tim Cook" <timcook@erinet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53466] FS or Trade KPC-3

Message-ID: <00dc01bf1994\$ab4f0500\$85735acf@timcook.erinet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have a like new Kantronics KPC-3 (ver 5.1) Packet communicator that I would like to trade for a 40m qrp radio (looking for a DSW-40, Wilderness 40A, or OHR 100A or similar ???). The KPC-3 is as new with all the original packing, manuals and cables it came with. Would sell outright for \$95.

thanks
Tim
NZ8J

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:39:30 -0700 (PDT)
From: Dave Pomeroy <dave_pomeroy@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53467] Re: QRP Hombrewer-Journal of the New Jersey QRP Club
Message-ID: <19991018183930.1787.rocketmail@web1105.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

OK folks, is there a URL for the NJqrp magazine?
Thanks for the time.
Dave Pomeroy KL0TE/8

--- Bruce <Bruce2@prodigy.net> wrote:
> Just wish to confirm what Doug said previously.
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> evening and was VERY
> impressed with it.
> I subscribed today. It's great!
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> Bruce WB4WZL
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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 11:26:25 -0700
From: Allan G Taylor <k7gt@arrl.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53468] Pacificon
Message-ID: <380B6651.1493@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I had a ball.

The antenna seminar (Friday) was very good this year. Dean Straw's description of the 6Y2A effort with all verticals was fascinating. I just wish I could put a 1 mi salt water moat around my suburban home.

The Tuna Tin 2 was working fine as the TT2 FOXHUNT approached, but even trying a 2nd build of a MRX40 failed. (At home, I found the 2nd build to have 5 cold joints, so far). I used the NC40A as a RX and was able to bag Mike K1MG fairly early in the hunt. He was 569 and much weaker than the locals (AB5PC, K7QO, N6WG). The ringer was KE6RS with his non-dummy load six-foot resonant loop. 599 and hard to avoid! I guess KE6RS was no dummy (hiss, boo, bad pun!)

Saturday morning, off to the exhibition hall and enter in the RedHot drawing box. I checked out the new RH40 and was pleasantly surprised to find that it has a RED PCB. Way cool!! Another stop at Wilderness Radio / Elecraft. Got a 20m module kit for the Sierra. Tried to pry a ssb module kit from Eric but without success. I guess next week will be soon enough. Next door was the Force-12 booth with Tom Schiller wearing a Zombie badge!! Chatted a bit about details of a replacement for the DX77 trap vertical.

Back to the QRP forum to catch NA5N's talk about the Desert Ratt. Kudos to Paul for a great presentation. I have plans to use two stages of his regen in mods to another little rig.

Got together with Mike, JR7HAN, and was able to introduce him to the wonders of Togo's sandwiches.

Back to the exhibition hall. Found the K7WWG/ DC power table and got some of his 30A connectors. These are very nice and in fact are much cheaper than the R/S Molex ones. I got his 10 pack for use with my 'QRO' portable rig and its battery interface needs (IC706).

Finished up the afternoon sessions. A highlight was bagging WI60 using audio-voice pileup cracking. I cheated and used a hand-megaphone to focus available energy across the isle. This was during a hands-on demo in K1MGs presentation. Passerbys would have thought us all completely loony.

The evening events were friendly mingling and gagging around the tables. I got the first-ever issued QSL from K7Q0. I had a chance to play with and even be photographed with the KG2ED version of the Mercury paddle. A very nice touch. Truly magnificent.

I was able to deliver the WN6Q Regen contest entry to the Regen building event. His popsicle stick and tube version took the prize, too.

No, I didn't win the RH40 but Cam N6GA did. His graciousness in letting me use his SST/20m this summer in Yosemite is coming back to him in full. Enjoy, Cam! I will get one next spring.

Then it was back down I-680 to home. There we faced a valley full of smoke from a wind driven fire SE of Fremont. Get out the Kleenex (TM) and wash your eyes out.

73 all...

Allan K7GT

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      Allan Taylor  K7GT          /| /599| \      k7gt@arrl.net
      Pleasanton CA  CM97aq       |_|/____|__\_   http://www.qsl.net/k7gt
      ...QRO, QRP, or barefoot..... [\-----/
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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 10:46:24 -0800
From: Jim Larsen AL7FS <al7fs@pobox.alaska.net>
To: "qrp-1@lehigh.edu" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53469] Re: Pacificon Report, L0000000NG de AL7FS
Message-ID: <380B6B00.C540F47C@pobox.alaska.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I knew it!! I just KNEW IT!!! I shudda taken off work, told my boss to "stuff it" and come to Pacificon. Gads, it sounds like sooooooooooooo

much
fun.

Next year. Gotta plan ahead and take off the ole dunce cap early. :-)

73, Jim

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73, Jim Larsen, AL7FS <http://www.qsl.net/al7fs/>
Anchorage, Alaska
<mailto:al7fs@qsl.net>
ICQ 11022915

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 19:51:01 +0100
From: "Frank G3YCC" <frank@g3ycc.karoo.co.uk>
To: <wb8qyy@one.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53470] Re: Touch Sensitive Key(er)
Message-ID: <002e01bf1999\$b9e2c340\$aaa832d4@prsat0x1>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Actually I find I don't need a grounded finger when using my rig from a
mains PSU, but I do 'in the field'. I suppose it is something to do with
50Hz mains pickup, for want of a better way of describing it.
Thanks for the info.

Frank G3YCC G QRP 042
QRP web page <http://www.karoo.co.uk/g3ycc/>

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 15:07:14 -0400
From: David Hinerman <dlh1009@ritvax.isc.rit.edu>
To: qrp-1 <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53471] OT: buzz saw
Message-ID: <380B6FE2.A358A94A@rit.edu>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Folks,

As has already been reported, the "buzz saw" heard on 80 and 40 meters has been identified as an experimental radar system operated by the Canadian military.

Before that was announced to the list, I had been in correspondence with the operator of the HAARP experiment Webmaster about the possibility of it being a HAARP transmission.

The latest message I've received from HAARP indicates 2 things of interest:

- 1) HAARP's operating authorization does not include any Amateur HF bands. (Recently HAARP has transmitted at 3.3 MHz, but not within the Amateur 80M band or any other.)
- 2) The waveform captured and displayed on Steve Yates' (AA5TB) Web page is nothing like any signal transmitted by HAARP.

The HAARP Webmaster went on to say:

"As to what may have caused the signal, I am at a loss to help you out. I think your web page is a great idea, however, since it may bring some suggestions from many other short wave listeners and, possibly, lead to a solution."

(I have notified him that it was Steve's page, not mine. A misunderstanding on his part - I'm not trying to steal Steve's thunder.)

FWIW, HAARP's online spectrum analyzer has returned to normal sensitivity. It's interesting to watch propagation across the HF spectrum (<http://www.haarp.alaska.edu/specF/wf.html>) and in the 20M band by monitoring the NCDXF beacons at 14.1 MHz (<http://www.haarp.alaska.edu/mon/bscan.html>)

Dave

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Dave Hinerman WD8CIV
Ontario, NY Grid FN13IF
dlh1009@rit.edu

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 14:58:32 -0500
From: Glen Reid <k5fx@flash.net>
To: HQRP List <hqrp@stevens.com>, AQR List <AQR@onelist.com>, QRP-1 <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [53472] Austin QRP Club Meeting Dates for 2000
Message-ID: <380B7BE8.9190934A@flash.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Just in case you are planning a trip to Austin and Central Texas during 2000, here are the scheduled meeting dates for the Austin QRP Club.

If you are close, come by and see us.

Scheduled meeting dates for 2000 are:

January 9
February 13
March 12
April 9
May 14
June 11
July 9
August 13
September 10
October 8
November 12
December 10

Check the club Web Page for location and details.

<http://www.flash.net/~k5hgb/aqrp.html>

73

gr

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GLEN REID
K5FX/M BGF

Austin...in the beautiful hill country of TEXAS...

Austin QRP Club # Pi

Email: k5fx@arrl.net

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 16:04:34 -0400 (EDT)
From: Joel Malman <malman@world.std.com>

To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Cc: k1qm@world.std.com
Subject: [53473] NON-QRP: VHF Mobile for sale
Message-ID: <199910182004.QAA11809@world.std.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Folks,

FOR SALE: Kenwood 2 meter VHF mobile transceiver rig: TM-241a
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50 / 35 / 10 watts (selectable). 20 Memories. With manual, mobile mounting bracket, dual fused power cable, multifunction MIC, mobile mounting bracket, orig box, etc.

Moving to 440 (70cm) / 2m rig....

Price: \$125.00 includes shipping to 48 states.

Please do not respond to the QRP-L list, E-Mail to: k1qm@arrl.net

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/joel K1QM (Ex-wa1qvm) Concord, Massachusetts
QRP-L 337, QRP-ARCI 9305, MI-QRP 1641, NorCal #1884

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 15:16:23 -0500
From: "Randy Jouett" <rules@bellsouth.net>
To: <sjolin@swbell.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53474] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <00ad01bf19a5\$df519ff0\$420b4ed8@spock>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----
From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 11:22 AM
Subject: Re: Pacificon Compendiums

Hi Dave,

> > I would like to buy one of these also.
> > 73
> > Jim kt4a
>
> If you want one you will need to get someone who has one to copy it for
> you. From what was said prior to Pacificon there are no plans to offer
> them to non-attendees.

Making photocopies of the compendium would be illegal
and an infringement on NorCal's and compendium authors'
copyrights. Check this out: they try to force you buy QRPP,
because the only other legal way to pick up a copy of the
compendium is to purchase their magazine, which is a
re-hash of what has already been said in the compendium.
To top it all off, they admit that the entire compendium is not
reproduced in QRPP. Go Figure.

72/73,

Randy Jouett, AB5NI

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 21:20:00 +0100
From: Larry Cahoon <wd3p@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [53475] IL QSO Party QRP/QRPP
Message-ID: <19991018.212001.4526.0.wd3p@juno.com>

This weekend was the IL QSO party - that makes three state QSO parties in
a row and next week is the RI QSO party. This one was not as active as
either the CA or PA events. Also working at 500 mWatts was more of a
problem. From my QTH 20 Meters is a bit short for that power and 40
Meters is a bit long so it was harder to get the QSOs.

The end result was 29 QSOs, 22 at 500 mWatts or less and 7 at 5 Watts -
with a total of 22 counties. Got 5 new counties QRP and 12 new ones QRPP.
So the pickings were not as good as in past weeks.

73 de Larry.....WD3P in MD

<http://www.erols.com/lejek>

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 16:25:08 -0500
From: Sam_Stimson@Dell.com
To: Sam_Stimson@Dell.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53476] RE: K2 Options
Message-ID: <5F97C32016F1D1119B1700A0C98422E702D75E4B@ausxmbrh05.us.dell.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

> Just got an email from Lerma that my SSB/NB options for K2 #189 are
> shipping today.
> I have already put in for vacation on Friday.
>
> Sam
> N5WU
>
> Sam E Stimson
> Supplier Quality Engineer
> mailto:Sam_Stimson@dell.com
> Phone: 512-728-5289
> Fax: 512-728-2709
> Mobile 512-796-4179
>

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 14:27:21 -0700
From: Mighty Mik <mitymik@wenet.net>
To: "qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53477] TT2 questions...
Message-ID: <380B9080.2C5C0396@wenet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This is for the NJQRP version that was sold at Pacificon:

T1 is wound differently than shown in the compendium ... is this
frequency dependent?
i'm doing mine for 6 meters, so i'm concerned.

also, does anyone have a MRX40 receiver, built or unbuilt, that they don't want anymore? i'm looking for one for this 6 meter conversion.

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@@
72/73 de Mick, WD8MNV/6 QRP-L #1673 QRP-C #118 ZOMBIE #441
NC20 SWL40+ ZM-2 DSP-3 rocket scientist and a 6 meter wanna be.
Aeropac #111 Tripoli #3071 Level 2 GRID CM87

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 14:50:12 -0700
From: "Cam Hartford" <camqrp@cyberg8t.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53478] Red Hot Radio Prize Draw @ Pacificon
Message-ID: <000301bf19b2\$f47bf260\$4e47cbd1@Camqrp>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ade Weiss wrote:

>Hi gang -- cudos to Dave for donating the Red Hot for
the Pacificon
>drawing! In view of this highly desireable door prize,
I have decided
>to not attend Pacificon this year in order to give
some other poor
>bloke a better chance at winning it.I wouldn't really
want to deprive
>anyone of the opportunity.... :)

>Really, I'd like very much to come and win it!!!!

>72, Ade

Ade et al:

I have been called a few odd things in my lifetime, but
I can't remember "some other poor bloke".

Whatever Fits.

Thanks to Ade for not attending, and thanks to Dave
Fifield for donating the Red Hot 40. And thanks to Jim
Stafford W4QO and the QRP ARCI crowd for the nice
plaque honoring me for my years of duty as ARCI Contest
Manager.

Good thing I drove to Pacificon this year since I had lots of goodies to haul home...

This new Red radio will look mighty fine on the shelf next to my Doug Hauff Stealth-Black Norcal 20. I bought a second NC-20 a while back with the idea of converting it to 40 meters. Now, with the helping hand of Lady Luck, I won't have to do that. Maybe the extra one will end up on 30 or 15 meters. Time will tell.

The drive on Interstate 5 from Socal to Norcal can best be described as the Longest, Straightest, Flattest 6 hours of Boredom known to the modern motorist. To help while away the miles, I took along my Sierra and hamsticks for 20 and 40 meters. QRO types would have laughed themselves silly if they had caught wind of this venture, but we QRPers know better. Ragchewing, CW mobile style, sure helped make the hours disappear. Sunday the Illinois QSO party was in session, and I managed to pick off a handful of 9-landers. It's amazing what you can do with 2 watts and a mobile antenna.

I'd especially like to thank those guys who were good for at least 50 miles apiece - Bill N0FU in San Diego, Larry NF0Z in Quartzite, Doc K0EVZ in Bismarck, and Mark KE6WAR in Lake Isabella. I know there were several other QRPers who answered my CQs, but I was unable to copy their sigs due to the relatively high level of automotive QRN. My apologies to you guys, and thanks much for your efforts.

In all, a weekend of radio saturation and satisfaction.

72/73,

Cam N6GA

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 17:49:37 -0400
From: "John J. McDonough" <jjmcd@tm.net>
To: <rlwc@frii.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53479] Re: next BIG thing?
Message-ID: <006d01bf19b2\$d351f4e0\$010044c0@conor-mac-nessa>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

-----Original Message-----

From: Rod Cercone <rlc@fii.com>

>But, is there something coming up between now & FDIM that I'm forgetting
>about that I should consider?

Well, not between now and FDIM but we're thinking REAL hard about Celticon.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://www.qsl.net/wb8rcr/>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 16:45:51 -0500
From: "Jay Bromley" <w5jay@alltel.net>
To: <rules@bellsouth.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53480] Re: Pacificon Compendiums
Message-ID: <004101bf19b2\$264fcba0\$479b66a6@default>
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Hi Randy,

Just curious as to which organizations you support or would support?? I am just Joe average with a job, kid, ect. I went out to Pacificon and was treated like a King by Jim Cates, Doug Hendricks, and gang. Yes, I did get my Compendium and much, much, more. Something that can't be described by words in print. I plan on making it an annual event along with Fort Tuthill. I feeling guilty about all the kindness I have received from the Nor Cal gang this year. There is no way I can repay the kindness from Nor Cal and the other QRP groups at large.

Randy, we will have the largest QRP forum between Dallas and Dayton this coming April in Fort Smith and we will be patterning a lot like the Nor Cal forums. I hope you can make it!! The experience can't be put into words, you're missing out big time.

73 de w5jay..

P.S. I think it is a day's drive from your house to Fort Smith. Almost in your back yard!!

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Jouett <rules@bellsouth.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Monday, October 18, 1999 3:25 PM
Subject: Re: Pacificon Compendiums

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>----- Original Message -----

>From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>
>To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
>Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 11:22 AM
>Subject: Re: Pacificon Compendiums

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>Hi Dave,

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>> > I would like to buy one of these also.

>> > 73

>> > Jim kt4a

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>> If you want one you will need to get someone who has one to copy it for
>> you. From what was said prior to Pacificon there are no plans to offer
>> them to non-attendees.

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>Making photocopies of the compendium would be illegal
>and an infringement on NorCal's and compendium authors'
>copyrights. Check this out: they try to force you buy QRPP,
>because the only other legal way to pick up a copy of the
>compendium is to purchase their magazine, which is a
>re-hash of what has already been said in the compendium.
>To top it all off, they admit that the entire compendium is not
>reproduced in QRPP. Go Figure.

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>72/73,

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>Randy Jouett, AB5NI

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Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 17:52:49 EDT
From: DONROHER@aol.com
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53481] Power Supply help
Message-ID: <557ec0cd.253cf0b1@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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I have a Yaesu power supply that I purchased used for \$20. I figured how could I go wrong.....

It is part number FP-80. No other marking and no fuse in the DC side, but a small instrument fuse for 4 amps in the AC side. I was told it was for a Yaesu QRP rig. I powered a SG-2020 to 20 watts but at 25 it appears a bit whacky, the 2020 need 5 amps DC for full power.

If anyone has one I would be glad to pay for copying and mailing of the handbook.

Or would appreciate any information you may have.

TNX NL7QT

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 14:56:36 -0700
From: Ed Loranger <we6w@qsl.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53482] Pacificon Report
Message-ID: <380B9794.85E47242@qsl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Gang. Well, to give you an idea how crowded it was in the Willow room, Doug/KI6DS announced new QRP Quarterly Editor Mary Cherry/NA6E with Husband Mark/WT6P and the crowd pretty much held them at the door to wave.

And for good reason, with circuit ideas, antennas, operating contests, The Desert Ratt regen Talk and Dick's historical speech, no one wants to lose their chair!

The room was a bit chilly but I noticed the primary use of ones' jacket is to hold the chair while you are out stretching your legs.

The wife and I got lucky to share breakfast with

Jim Kortge. For lunch, long-time qso buddy Doug/K6RPN and his wonderful wife Elda joined us and Randy/K7TQ. Both are regulars on the wsn-40 QRP net every Saturday.

While on our way to the 1 PM talk, Doug/K6RPN mentions he has a "few" items for me. needless to say, it required him to move his van closer to our car and 15 minutes of unloading gear into my trunk! Geez mon! He had a mint condx Hammarlund speaker, bucket of XTALS, 80/40 HB Tube TX rig, Tap/Die set for the home packager, shoot -- I can't tell ya all this stuff. The list is long. What a care package!

Dinner was a real trip! Ron/KE6RS, Randy/K7TQ and the xyl and I grabbed a table at the Peppermill. We had assembled a group of 20 to 23 people but the folks at the restaurant weren't going to let us in like that! Shucks, I had hoped for a meal with all the other folks as well but we waved from across the room.

It was very special to meet many of these folks for the first time. I know Gody/AC6UV and his pal Sig were a special treasure. Recall that Gody traveled a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail and nearly got eaten alive by mosquitos. We finally got a chance to meet.

There were some fine gear to be shown at the open house. What was really great was I got to meet many more people this year than last year. I gotta bring the xyl with me more often. You guys! And Sam, we gotta talk :) <JK>

I thought I'd get an earfull from the xyl about how nerdy it all this was and what-not, but I have to tell everyone: Even my non-technical Shannon enjoyed these presentations and that is a tribute to the speakers and organizers. You folks did a great job keeping it interesting. I did have to show Mike/K1MG the REAL happy dance, however. <LOL> I noticed the dinner crowd got a bit smaller after my display at the hotel entrance!

Only bought two things: Book, "HF Antennas for all locations" by Les Moxon, and a NoGaPiG kit. The Pig is already built and in use at the shack as of Sunday morning.

I'm still looking for Ted Hart's Loop book, darn-it!

And Elecraft! Talk about a busy crew. I just want to thank those guys for taking the time out to talk with everyone.

We'll see you next year! 72/Ed we6w

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-Ed AR Millennium Q's=>1400/2000 QRP-L#1068 Old NC#2227
72, Ed WE6W, A-1 OP; <http://www.qsl.net/we6w> Santa Rosa, CA
QRP-Z#106 AR#112 HI-QRP#64 ARCI#9397 ARS#275

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 18:09:36 -0400
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@talon.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53483] Tracking Solar Cycle 23 Web Site
Message-ID: <001501bf19b5\$77e2f200\$b9e508cf@wb3aal>
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Check out this Web Site.

<http://www.digilife.be/club/Franky.Dubois/tracking.htm>

72 & 73
Good DXing

Ron Polityka
de WB3AAL
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vvv Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Web Page vvv
http://www.kpsnet.com/wb3aal/Start_Page.htm
Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Club Call --> N3EPA

EPA QRP #1	NJ QRP #179
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ARCI QRP # 5318	10 - X #13173
NorCal	Zombie #625
ARS # 380	HI-QRP #153
VA QRP Society	

SETI @ Home Project
<http://setiathome.ssl.berkeley.edu>

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 17:24:22 -0500
From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@cswnet.com>

To: <bkassel@dancris.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53484] Re: New Contest Logging Program - Honest RST's
Message-ID: <000b01bf19b7\$87ce0a40\$da7054d8@the-great-c>
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>or does it DISCOURAGE them to do the same? I consider the practice of
>spewing out ubiquitous 599 RST's in DXing and contesting fundamentally
>dishonest and therefore unsportsmanlike.
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Well, that's a little harsh. In those contests, I honestly expect that everyone's gonna give me a 5NN and they honestly expect the same from me. No one is deceived. I agree it's a waste of time, though. It'd be better to exchange some interesting info, if only hat size or number of dogs owned.

>You are probably correct about the reports being improperly sent as all
>the same reports, but it's a fact of life in every contest, QRP or not.
>There are a few contests that do not include a signal report as part of
>the exchange, but they are only a very few in number.
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Well, Field Day and Sweepstakes are biggies that don't use 5NN's but do use some interesting info instead.

72,

Nick, WA5BDU

(Ur message was 5NN here in Arkansas)

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 17:34:44 -0500
From: "Steve Yates, AA5TB" <aa5tb@swbell.net>
To: kc8aon@juno.com, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53485] Re: Ammo Boxes
Message-ID: <008f01bf19b8\$fac2a3c0\$9c37a497@aa5tb>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
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I've used an ammo box in much the same way you have for many years. It

works great and is cheap! I also have my heavily modified NORCAL 38S installed in an ammo box (a.k.a. PRC-38S). Not really backpack friendly but you sure can't hurt it. In fact I just came back from a camping trip using the PRC-38S. Ammo boxes are inexpensive, plentiful, tough, weatherproof, and generally good for everything from tool chest to radio enclosures.

73,
Steve Yates - AA5TB
Fort Worth, TX - EM12gs
<http://home.swbell.net/aa5tb>

Date: 18 Oct 1999 17:40:37 LOC
From: <SFIKE@twa.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [53486] Hamfest
Message-ID: <19991018.174037.SFIKE@twa.com>

If anyone will be traveling to or through Kansas City next weekend, there will be a Hamfest on Saturday (10-23). There will be a QRP seminar. If anyone is interested, I can give more details. Please e-mail me directly.

Thanks!

72
Scott, KCOBUS

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 18:55:55 -0400
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [53487] Re: He shall be missed
Message-ID: <3.0.32.19991018185549.00738830@kih.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 03:03 PM 10/18/99 -0400, you wrote:
>Yes. the very same.

Skip,
TNX for the info.
Pretty sad news as he was such a great writer and humourist. I remember one short story in which he, his kid brother and the "Old Man" went to the Fair. The kid brother snarfed a couple hotdogs and cotton candy and then they boarded "The Rocket".

The kid threw up after several revolutions and the description of the rotating stomach contents inside the rotating enclosure were absolutely hilarious!

I didn't know that he was a Ham but it figures. He is probably "Laughin' and scratchin'" with Irvine S. Cobb and Mark Twain.

73 Pete NV4V

Date: Mon, 18 Oct 1999 18:54:32 EDT
From: charles k brown <n4so@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [53488] Yaesu info
Message-ID: <19991018.225248.7751.0.n4so@juno.com>

yaesu.txt

Try the following source if unable to find the Yaesu info you are after.
You may telephone them directly with your question.

Yaesu USA
17210 Edwards Rd
Cerritos, CA 90701
tel 310-404-2700

Owners and service manuals for Yaesu products. Also sells components.

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SV5TS Rodos Island 14.034 0332Z

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